

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING TRANSFORMATION OF MULTI- PROTOCOL PACKETS IN A DATA STREAM

ABSTRACT

5 A system and method for facilitating packet transformation of multi-
protocol, multi-flow, streaming data. Packet portions subject to change are
temporarily stored, and acted upon through processing of protocol-dependent
instructions, resulting in a protocol-dependent modification of the temporarily stored
packet information. Validity tags are associated with different segments of the
temporarily-stored packet, where the state of each tag determines whether its
10 corresponding packet segment will form part of the resulting modified packet. Only
those packet segments identified as being part of the resulting modified packet are
reassembled prior to dispatch of the packet.

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